UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT WESTERN DISTRICT OF MICHIGAN SOUTHERN DIVISION

STEELCASE, INC. a Michigan corporation,

Plaintiff,

Case No.: 1:04cv0026 Hon. Robert Holmes Bell Chief, U. S. District Judge

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HARBIN'S INC., an Alabama corporation, MICHAEL G. HARBIN and HOPE D. HARBIN PATTERSON (now HOPE DUNCAN PATTERSON),

Defendants.

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MOTION FOR LEAVE TO FILE REPLY BRIEF REGARDING PLAINTIFF'S RESPONSE TO DEFENDANT MICHAEL G. HARBIN'S MOTION FOR CHANGE OF VENUE, OR ALTERNATIVELY, TO ADJOURN THE TRIAL AND SETTLEMENT CONFERENCE

Defendant Michael G. Harbin moves this Court for leave to file a reply brief so that the Court may be presented with argument relevant to the misleading nature of the factual background provided to the Court in Plaintiff's Response to Defendant Michael G. Harbin's Motion for Change of Venue, or Alternatively, to Adjourn the Trial and Settlement Conference.

Dated: <u>September 1, 2005</u> SILVERMAN, SMITH & RICE, P.C.

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